

## THE MARINE CORPS ROLE IN THE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE 2005 PROCESS

The Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process provides a singular opportunity to reshape our infrastructure to optimize military readiness. The BRAC 2005 process will help find innovative ways to consolidate, realign, or find alternative uses for current facilities to ensure that the US continues to field the best-prepared and best-equipped military in the world. BRAC will also enable the US military to better match facilities to forces, meet the threats and challenges of a new century, and make the wisest use of limited defense dollars.

The Marine Corps is a full participant in BRAC 2005. As currently configured, Marine Corps infrastructure supports MAGTF operations. However, we look forward to further improvements through potential co-location of other Services (as the host or as a tenant) that could result from the BRAC 2005 findings. Our BRAC 05 analysis will focus on the future of Marine Corps force structure, the accommodation of new weapon system footprints, support necessary to evolving training requirements, and pursuing base structure efficiencies in the provision of common business functions.